

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-29 (cancelled)

Claim 30 (new): A nucleic acid molecule comprising the polynucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 20.

Claim 31 (new): A vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claim 30.

Claim 32 (new): A mammalian host cell transformed to express the polynucleotide of SEQ ID NO: 20.

Claim 33 (new): A polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 27.

Claim 34 (new): An oligonucleotide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 11.

Claim 35 (new): An oligonucleotide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 12.

Claim 36 (new): An oligonucleotide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 30 or SEQ ID NO: 31.

Claim 37 (new): A polypeptide encoded by one of the oligonucleotides according to claim 36.